House Resolution No. 4467

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

Whereas, a period of five wondrous decades has passed since Maurice Farrell, son of Vernie and Mary Farrell, lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Doris Murray, daughter of Jack and Louise Murray, during a solemn ceremony on September 14, 1957, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Shelbina; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Maurice and Doris Farrell have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include two children and their spouses, Janice and Billy Joe Wilkerson of Novelty and David and DeAnn Farrell of Shelbina; nine grandchildren, Tracy King of Omaha, Nebraska, Terri Parsons and Brad, Edina, and Brett Wilkerson of Novelty, Nicole Roth and Andy of Sedalia, and Shannon and Luke Farrell of Shelbina; and one great-grandchild, Grant Parsons, of Edina; and

Whereas, now retired, Maurice Farrell has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes working for the CB&Q Railroad as an electric welder for six years prior to becoming a farmer in 1963, and by being a member of the Shelby County Saddle Club; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Doris Farrell further distinguished herself by working as a bookkeeper and secretary for many years; and

Whereas, members of St. Mary's Catholic Church and NEMO Old Threshers, Maurice and Doris Farrell have enjoyed many hobbies and pastimes over the years, a few of which include hunting coyote, bowling, sewing, and attending their grandchildren's activities; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Farrell will commemorate the resplendent occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on September 9, 2007, at the Father Buhman Center:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Maurice and Doris Farrell and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Farrell.

Offered by
Representative Tom Shively
District No. 8
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House

Resolution No. 4467, adopted September 6, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker